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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 29 October 2007.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1,5-8,11-13 and 17-21 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,5-8,11-13,17-21 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. This action is responsive to RCE communication filed on 10/29/2007.
2. Claims 2-4,9-10,14-16 are cancelled. Claims 1,5-8,11-13,17-21 are subject to examination. Claim 21 is newly filed claim.

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 10/29/2007 has been entered.

Claim Objections

Claims 1,8,12,13 are objected to because of the following informalities:

As per claims 1,8,12,13, recite the limitation "...the user...". There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 1,5-8, 11-13,17-21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Burke et al. U.S. Patent # 6,032,162 (hereinafter Burke)

As per claim 1, Burke teaches a server for providing information to a client via a network comprising:

-a receiving module receiving, from said client (i.e. user), a providing request for the information (i.e. receiving a request from a user at the terminal), the providing request containing a piece of access site information containing information on the location of an access site address where the user is located and from which, said client accesses said network (column 5 lines 64-67)(column 6 lines 1-12), wherein said client has a plurality of access sites (i.e. another terminal) and accesses said network through a selected access site (Fig. 1 element 10 i.e. terminal 10) among said plurality of access sites (other terminals)(column 5 lines 62-64);

The reference teaches receiving a request from a user at the terminal (providing request for information from the client), the request containing internet URL access code (piece of access site information i.e. access site address), wherein the client has plurality of access site (i.e. another terminal) and accesses the said network using terminal 10 (access network through selected access site). It is inherent that when terminal establishes FTP compatible communication with the system it is going to have access site address i.e. location of the user which is IP address at which the user is located at. The communication is made with the system to download the user designated file, therefore when the connection is made using FTP, it is inherent that user's IP address has to be sent to the system to create a connection with the system.

-a URL management module extracting the piece of access site information from the providing request (column 6 lines 1-12), retrieving URLs corresponding to the piece of access site information from a database (column 6 lines 3-12), retrieving titles (Fig. 5 element 510 "Yahoo! Finance" or "The Sunday Times") corresponding to the retrieved URLs (retrieved file has URL's in it) from the database (i.e. remote internet site), and generating a document containing the retrieved URLs and the retrieved titles (column 5 lines 13-23)(Fig. 5)(column 8 lines 14-24);

The reference teaches using FTP communication, terminal establishes transparent access by the user at terminal wherein it is inherent that access site information i.e. the IP address of the user is going to included in the request, because when making an FTP communication request with the system, the user's computer has to send user's IP address in order to create communication. When the FTP communication is established with the terminal and system, the user designated file/bookmark file which includes the bookmarks/URL are downloaded based on the user's information.

wherein the database stores different URLs according to each piece of access site information (column 4 lines 11-13); and

The HTML bookmark file contains different URL inside the file and is transferred to the remote internet system for storage (database stored different URLs)

-a transmitting module transmitting the generated document (i.e. user designated file) to said client (column 6 lines 2-6), wherein said URL information is registered into

the database (remote internet site) in advance of the providing request by a user of said client (column 2 lines 23-35)

The reference teaches transmitting the bookmark or file are to the client, the bookmark or URL are stored/registered in the remote site prior to request by the user terminal.

-whereby said client obtains a different document (i.e. different theme and topic document)(Fig. 5) according to said selected access site (column 8 lines 18-34).

The reference teaches user receives different theme and topic for display based on the bookmark addresses/information sources.

As per claim 5, Burke teaches a server according to claim 1, wherein the information is a piece of information for indicating a location where the web page is stored (column 5 lines 65-67).

The reference teaches transmitting an internet URL code of the remote internet system (location of where the web page is stored) where the file/bookmark addresses are stored.

As per claim 6, Burke teaches a server according to claim 1, wherein the access site information is a source address of the providing request (column 8 lines 11-13)

As per claim 7, Burke teaches a server according to claim 1, wherein said database is stored with the files of the plurality of web pages each containing the same, information expressed in different language (column 6 lines 57-67).

As per claim 8, Burke teaches a method for a server to provide information to a client via a network comprising:

-registering in advance, in a database of the server, by a user of the client, the information that includes a URL information (column 2 lines 23-35)

The reference teaches transmitting the bookmark or file to the client, the bookmark or URL are stored/registered in the remote site prior to request by the user terminal.

-receiving a request, from said client, for providing the in advance registered information, the providing request containing a piece of access site information containing information on the location of an access site address where the user is located and from which, said client accesses said network (column 5 lines 64-67)(column 6 lines 1-6),

The reference teaches receiving a request from a user at the terminal (providing request for information from the client), the request containing internet URL access code , wherein the client has plurality of access site (i.e. another terminal) and accesses the said network using terminal 10 (access network through selected access site). It is inherent that when terminal establishes FTP compatible communication with the system it is going to have access site address i.e. location of the user which is IP address at which the user is located at. The communication is made with the system to download the user designated file, therefore when the connection is made using FTP communication request with the system, the user's computer has to send user's IP address in order to create communication.

-wherein said client has a plurality of access sites (i.e. another terminal) and accesses said network through a selected access site (Fig. 1 element 10 i.e. terminal 10) among said plurality of access sites (column 5 lines 62-64);

-extracting the piece of access site information from the providing request, retrieving the URLs corresponding to the piece of access site information from the database(column 6 lines 3-12), retrieving titles (Fig. 5 element 510 "Yahoo! Finance" or "The Sunday Times") corresponding to the retrieved URLs (retrieved file has URL's in it) from the database (i.e. remote internet site), and generating a document containing the retrieved URLs and the retrieved titles (column 5 lines 13-23)(Fig. 5)(column 8 lines 14-24);

The reference teaches using FTP communication, terminal establishes transparent access by the user at terminal wherein it is inherent that access site information i.e. the IP address of the user is going to included in the request, because when making an FTP communication request with the system, the user's computer has to send user's IP address in order to create communication. When the FTP communication is established with the terminal and system, the user designated file/bookmark file which includes the bookmarks/URL are downloaded based on the user's information.

wherein the database stores different URLs according to each piece of access site information (column 4 lines 11-13); and

The HTML bookmark file contains different URL inside the file and is transferred to the remote internet system for storage (database stored different URLs)

-transmitting the generated document to said client (column 6 lines 2-6) whereby said client obtains a different document according to said selected access site (column 8 lines 18-34).

The reference teaches user receives different theme and topic for display based on the bookmark addresses/information sources

As per claim 11, Burke teaches a method according to claim 8, wherein said extracting involves retrieving URLs corresponding to the piece of access site information from the database, the database storing files of a plurality of web pages with their display contents different from each other (column 8 lines 11-34).

As per claim 12, Burke teaches a system comprising:

- a client (i.e. Fig. 1 element user terminal); and
- a server for providing information to said client via a network (Fig. 1 element 15 "remote internet system")(column 2 lines 26-30)

-a server for providing information to said client via a network, wherein a user of the client registers in advance URL information in the service (column 2 lines 26-30);

wherein said client transmits a request for providing the in advance registered information to said server, the information providing request containing a piece of access site information containing information on the location of an access site address where the user is located and from which, said client accesses said network (column 5 lines 64-67)(column 6 lines 1-6), wherein said client has a plurality of access sites and accesses said network through a selected access site among said plurality of access sites (column 5 lines 62-64);

The reference teaches receiving a request from a user at the terminal (providing request for information from the client), the request containing internet URL access code, wherein the client has plurality of access site (i.e. another terminal) and accesses the said network using terminal 10 (access network through selected access site). It is inherent that when terminal establishes FTP compatible communication with the system it is going to have access site address i.e. location of the user which is IP address at which the user is located at. The communication is made with the system to download the user designated file, therefore when the connection is made using FTP communication request with the system, the user's computer has to send user's IP address in order to create communication.

-said server receives the providing request, and retrieves URLs corresponding to the access site information from the database (column 6 lines 3-12), then retrieves titles (Fig. 5 element 510 "Yahoo! Finance" or "The Sunday Times") from the database corresponding to the retrieved URLs (retrieved file has URL's in it) from the database (i.e. remote internet site), and generates a document containing the retrieved URLs and the retrieved titles (column 5 lines 13-23)(Fig. 5)(column 8 lines 14-24) wherein the database stores different URLs according to each piece of access site information (column 4 lines 11-13), and transmits the generated document to said client (column 6 lines 2-6), whereby said client obtains a different document according to said selected access site (column 8 lines 18-34).

As per claim 13, it teaches same limitations as claim 1, therefore rejected under same basis.

As per claim 17, Burke teaches a server for providing information to a client via a network according to claim 1, further comprising:

- a registration module for accepting and storing information entered by the client for a later access by said client (column 4 lines 40-48, lines 55-67).

As per claim 18, it teaches same limitations as claim 17, therefore rejected under same basis.

As per claim 19, it teaches same limitations as claim 17, therefore rejected under same basis.

As per claim 20, Burke teaches a computer readable medium according to claim 13, wherein the retrieved URLs and the retrieved titles are registered into the server by a user of the client prior to the information-providing request (column 2 lines 23-30)(column 3 lines 56-67).

As per claim 21, Burke teaches a method for providing a user with client specific data, the method comprising:

- receiving from the client a request for information specific to the user and the client, the request including the network address of the client (column 5 lines 64-67)(column 6 lines 1); and

- producing a document comprising information title and a uniform resource locator for the request information (column 6 lines 2-6)(column 8 lines 11-25), the information produced by correlating the network address of the client to the uniform resource locator (column 7 lines 1-14); and

-transmitting to the client the produced document (column 7 lines 44-55)(column 8 lines 26-34)(Fig. 5)

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1, 5-8, 11-13, 17-21 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

3. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

A). "System and Method for controlled access to shared-medium public and semi-public internet protocol (IP) networks" by Massarani et al. U.S. Patent 6,393,484.

4. A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire **3 (three) months and 0 (zero) days** from the mail date of this letter. Failure to respond within the period for response will result in **ABANDONMENT** of the applicant (see 35 U.S.C 133, M.P.E.P 710.02, 710.02(b)).

5.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dhairya A. Patel whose telephone number is 571-272-5809. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00-5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John Follansbee can be reached on 571-272-3964. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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